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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): A method for treating reducing the occurrence of hypercalcemia or osteosarcoma in a patient that has osteoporosis and has received administration of, or is being administered, cyclase activating parathyroid hormone (CAP) or analogues thereof comprising also administering a cyclase inhibiting parathyroid hormone peptide (CIP), which CIP comprises a contiguous portion of PTH having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:5 (PTH₁₋₈₄), having an N-terminal amino acid residue starting at any position spanning from position 2 through position 34 of the PTH₁₋₈₄, and a C-terminal amino acid residue ending at position 84 of the PTH₁₋₈₄, from between PTH₂₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:1) and PTH₃₄₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:3) or a conservatively substituted variant thereof exhibiting parathyroid hormone (PTH) antagonist activity in a therapeutically effective, but non-toxic amount that reduces the occurrence of hypercalcemia or osteosarcoma in the patient resulting from the administration of CAP.

- Claim 2. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 1 wherein the peptide has an N-terminal amino acid residue starting at any position spanning from position 3 through position 28 of the PTH₁₋₈₄, and a C-terminal amino acid residue ending at position 84 of the PTH₁₋₈₄ amino acid sequence from between PTH₃₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:2) and PTH₂₈₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:8).
- Clam 3. (Original): The method of Claim 1 wherein one determines the amount of CAP and CIP present in the patient.
- Clam 4. (Original): The method of Claim 3 wherein the CIP administration is performed in a pulsatile manner.
- Claim 5. (Currently Amended): A method for treating inducing the cyclase active parathyroid hormone (CAP) rebound effect in a patient that has osteoporosis comprising administering a cyclase inhibiting parathyroid hormone peptide (CIP), which CIP comprises a contiguous portion of PTH having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:5 (PTH₁₋₈₄), having an N-terminal amino acid residue starting at any position spanning from position 2 through

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position 34 of the PTH₁₋₈₄, and a C-terminal amino acid residue ending at position 84 of the PTH₁₋₈₄, from between PTH₂₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:1) and PTH₃₄₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:3) or a conservatively substituted variant thereof exhibiting parathyroid hormone (PTH) antagonist activity in a therapeutically effective, but non-toxic amount that reduces the occurrence of hypercalcemia or osteosarcoma in the patient resulting from the administration of CAP.

- Claim 6. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 5 wherein the peptide has an N-terminal amino acid residue starting at any position spanning from position 3 through position 28 of the PTH₁₋₈₄, and a C-terminal amino acid residue ending at position 84 of the PTH₁₋₈₄ amino acid sequence from between PTH₃₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:2) and PTH₂₈₋₈₄ (SEQ ID NO:8).
- Claim 7. (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 5 <u>further comprising determining</u> the wherein one determines the amount of <u>cyclase activating parathyroid hormone</u> (CAP) and CIP present in the patient, wherein the amount of CAP and CIP are determined to monitor and guide the treatment of the patient having osteoporosis.
- Claim 8. (Original): The method of Claim 7 wherein the CIP administration is performed in a pulsatile manner.
 - Claim 9. (New): The method of claim 1, wherein the patient has osteoporosis.
 - Claim 10. (New): The method of claim 5, wherein the patient has osteoporosis.
- Claim 11. (New): The method of claim 3, wherein the CIP administration is performed in a continuous manner.
- Claim 12. (New): The method of claim 7, wherein the CIP administration is performed in a continuous manner.

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